IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/771,331 Confirmation No. : 2561

First Named Inventor : Orlaw MASSLER Filed : February 5, 2004

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Examiner : Kelly M. STOUFFER

Docket No. : 080313.48830D1

Customer No. : 23911

Title : DLC Coating System and Process and Apparatus for

Making Coating System

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 10, 2006, the deadline for responding to which is November 13, 2006 (Friday, November 10, 2006 was an observed Federal Holiday), Applicants elect without traverse Claims 43-61 for prosecution in this matter.

An early action on the merits of all the claims is earnestly solicited.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and

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please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket # 056205.53967US).

November 13, 2006

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